Helpful Resources

Garrett County, Maryland Economic Development Department www.gcedonline.com 301-334-6968

Garrett County office of University of Maryland Extension 301-334-6960

Maryland Forests Association, Inc. 301-895-5369 mdforests.org

Maryland Department of Natural Resources Forest Service 410-260-8531 www.dnr.state.md.us/forests/

Sources Used

* 2007 Census of Agriculture, United States Department of Agriculture National Agriculture Statistics Service

1 County-by-County Economic Impact Estimates for Resource-Based Industries in the State of Maryland, by Salisbury University, 2002


3 The Timber Resources of Maryland—1964. US Forest Service Resource Bulletin NE-7

4 Maryland Department of Natural Resources Forest Service website: www.dnr.state.md.us/forests

5 Red Rock Enterprises, Inc. August 2009 www.redrockllc.com

6 Maryland Department of Agriculture website: www.mda.state.md.us


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**Our Forests & Woodlands**

Saw Timber Acreage .......... 184,400
Pole Timber Acreage .......... 87,900
Sapling & Seedling Acreage .... 24,600

**Acreage & Net Volume of Various Species**

White/Red Pine Acreage ...... 15,500
  Cubic feet .................. 50,700,000
Spruce/Fir Acreage .......... 3,200
  Cubic feet .................. 9,900,000
Oak/Hickory Acreage ......... 153,800
  Cubic feet ................. 318,600,000
Elm/Ash/Red Maple Acreage .. 20,100
  Cubic feet ................. 27,800,000
Northern Hardwoods Acreage 92,900
  Cubic feet ................. 134,900,000

**Public vs. Private Acreage**

Publicly Owned Acreage ....... 106,000
Privately Owned Acreage ...... 178,600
Forest Stewardship Council Certified Acreage .............. 10,500

**Forestry Business**

Registered Loggers .............. 42
Certified Nurseries .............. 13
Registered Sawmills .......... 10
Consulting & Industrial Foresters .... 37
Christmas Tree Farms ............ 3

**Forest Economic Impact**

Value added to the economy $57,445,000
Total outputs to the economy $158,146,000

**Number of Jobs in Forestry:**

Directly Related to Forestry .......... 643
Indirectly Related to Forestry ........ 969

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**Interesting Facts**

There were 10,785 **Christmas Trees** cut in Garrett County in 2007.*

There were 2,437 gallons of **maple syrup** on 11 farms in 2007. In 2002, we had 15 farms.*

Garrett State Forest comprises 6,781 acres. In 1906 this forest was given to the state of Maryland and was the beginning of our present public lands system. 4

Potomac State Forest comprises 11,461 acres and is the home of the Potomac River headwaters. 4

Savage River State Forest comprises 53,500 acres. It includes the Big Savage Wildland, the first designated in the state and one of 6 wildlands at in the Savage River State Forest that total 11,135 acres. 4

A 1,863 acre tract located in southwestern Garrett County, Mt. Nebo Wildlife Management Area protects two red spruce bogs, one of the most unique wetlands in Maryland. More than 18,000 years old, these are among the oldest peat bogs in eastern North America, complete with wild cranberries and a host of rare and endangered plants. 4

According to Title 5, Section 608, Annotated Code of Maryland, any person engaged in a forest products business must have a license issued by the Department of Natural Resources. This includes all sawmills, pulpwood and logging contractors and firewood dealers. 4

There are 109 species of plants and animals listed as endangered or threatened in Garrett County. Many of these species live and grow in the county’s public and private forestland. 7